Claims

1. A gas bag module, comprising

a ring-shaped gas bag (3), which when inflated has a ring-shaped chamber (18) surrounding a central, non-inflated section (15),

5 a module covering (9),

said gas bag (3) being housed in said module so as to be folded around a central spacer piece (23), said spacer piece (23) having a first end in a region of said module covering (9) and a second end facing away from said module covering (9), said spacer piece (23) being fastened to a holding piece (10) at said second end and extending laterally outwards from said second end and towards said module covering,

wherein

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that portion of said spacer piece (23) which extends laterally outwards from said second end and towards said module covering (9) includes a curved outer surface (26) as seen in a section taken in a direction from said holding piece (10) to said module covering (9).

- 2. The gas bag module according to Claim 1, characterized in that, towards said module covering, said outer surface (26) has an increasingly less inclination in a laterally outward direction.
- 3. The gas bag module according to Claim 1, characterized in that said holding piece (10) has a contact surface (22) for said spacer piece (23) and said outer surface (26) projecting laterally with respect to said contact surface (22) runs in a convex curved shape.
 - 4. The gas bag module according to Claim 1, characterized in that said outer surface (26) as a whole runs in a curved shape, from an end face of said spacer piece (23) facing said holding piece (10) toward an end face at said first end.

- 5. The gas bag module according to Claim 1, characterized in that said spacer piece (23) is one of a solid body and ribbed body.
- 6. The gas bag module according to Claim 1, characterized in that said module covering (9) is fastened to said spacer piece (23).
- 5 7. The gas bag module according to Claim 6, characterized in that said spacer piece (23) extends outwards through a central opening in said module covering (9).
 - 8. The gas bag module according to Claim 7, characterized in that an emblem (24) of metal is fastened to said first end of said spacer piece (23).
- 9. The gas bag module according to Claim 1, characterized in that said module covering (9) extends over an end face of said spacer piece (23) at said first end, said module covering (9) having a central section which remains fastened to said spacer piece (23) when said module covering (9) tears open.
 - 10. The gas bag module according to Claim 1, characterized in that said holding piece (10) is a cage surrounding a gas generator (5).